Disturbed Patients' Buildings

Jwo of the 100 bed disturbed patients' buildings shown here will be constructed at Springfield State Hospital, and one at Spring Grove State Hospital. These buildings will be of fire-proof, one story construction, designed in accordance with best modern practice for disturbed patients' buildings. They will allow easy access to the exercise yards and remove any feeling of restraint which exists in multi-storied buildings.

Four complete nursing units, of 25 patients capacity each, are provided in each building. Each nursing unit is complete with day rooms, toilets, treatment rooms, locker rooms and other necessary facilities. Sixty percent of the patients will be provided with single bed rooms, while a four bed ward and a six bed ward in each unit provides the other patient-bed facilities. Two day rooms are provided for each nursing unit.

In each building there will be provided two locarions each for hydro-therapy and occupational therapy. A gymnasium is provided in each building for those patients who require exercise as a part of the treatment process. Two dining rooms are provided in each building, with serving kitchens between them.

The buildings will have terrazo floors, brick exterior and glazed tile interior walls, with accoustical ceilings. The objective in planning this building has been to provide a safe, long lasting, easily maintained building.

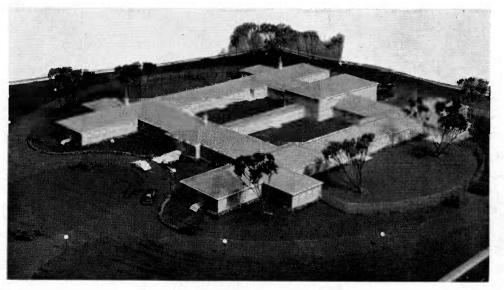
The plans for the buildings meet the standards of the U. S. Public Health Service. Numerous consultants in the field of mental hospital design are enthusiastic about the plans, which are being featured in the October issue of Architectural Record. The buildings were designed by Henry Powell Hopkins, Architect.

The building at Spring Grove will be constructed by Charles R. Scrivener Co. for the low base bid of \$925,000. The two buildings at Springfield will be constructed by Mullan Contracting Co. for the low base bid of \$1,845,000.

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